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SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

DESCRIPTION

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

At page 1, between lines 12 and 13, insert:

Background Description

At page 2, between lines 22 and 23, insert:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

At page 5, at line 1, insert:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 shows an aspect of the invention according to the invention.

At page 5, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF
EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION**

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At page 5, 1st and 2nd paragraph:

Possible woodbased-material boards B, which are used as support boards for surface-finishing purposes, are chipboards, medium density fiberboards (MDF), high density fiberboards (HDF) or Oriented Strand Boards (OSB). These support boards are produced by pressing appropriate wood fibers mixed with synthetic resin. A single-colored or multi-colored paper layer which is impregnated with melamine resin is then applied to this support panel. A further layer made of a synthetic resin may be applied to the paper layer. The board is then passed to a press, where the cover layer is pressed with the board under high pressure and temperature, in which case the resin melts and binds firmly to the top side of the support board.

The top pressing plate 1 of the press is designed as a female die. It has the negative/positive of the relief which is to be stamped into the surface of the board. This relief may be the reproduction of a woodgrain or also of joints of a tiled surface. This relief, which projects beyond the surface of the pressing plate, is coated with a printing ink before the pressing operation. During pressing, the synthetic resin melts, the structure of the relief forms as a depression in the synthetic-resin layer and, at the same time, the ink is transferred into the depressions of the relief and binds with the liquid synthetic resin.